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Senator Daily, Representative Widlitz, Senator Roraback, Representative Williams, and distinguished members of the Finance, Revenue, and Bonding Committee,

I am State Senator Michael McLachlan, and I am here today to testify in support of House Bill 5472, *An Act Concerning Deadlines for Certain Property Tax Exemptions*.

This bill includes language that will remedy an error that was made in the filing of a machine property tax return for a small business in Danbury for the 2006 tax year. Last session the General Assembly passed legislation that we believed would fix the issue, but were advised by the Office of Policy and Management that the language last year was insufficient.

In adding this legislation we will be able to provide tax relief for a small business in Danbury, a business that should have had this break years ago if paperwork had been properly filed, a business we thought was getting this break last session absent some technical confusion. In order for small business to flourish in Connecticut we need to provide relief to help these businesses grow. This legislation may not seem like the most important bill you are considering this session, or even today. But to a small Danbury company, this bill means the world.

I urge the committee to support this legislation.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.